

The New Hampshire Election.

The result in New Hampshire was substantially foreshadowed in the first collection of returns. We save the Legislature, and through that the Governorship—the large number of scattering votes, as for this purpose we may call those thrown by the third and fourth parties, preventing Governor Straw's plurality from reaching a decided majority. There is probably no change in the Congressmen, though there is possibly a chance for redeeming one of the districts. The total vote is very light. The cause of this result are not far to seek. The Republicans naturally felt that their splendid majority in the last Presidential election would last in some degree over this spring, and so they made no special effort—a great mistake, and found out to be so just as often as it is tried. Then there is no question that the Credit Mobilier developments, with the shuffling, unsatisfactory treatment they received at the hands of Congress, were used by the Democrats to the Republican disadvantage, in spite of their own representatives being implicated as deeply as any others.

Probably, however, the salary swindle—particularly the back pay part of it—had a still more depressing influence upon the Republican mind of the State. The result was a lesson which, if it is heeded as it ought to be by our Republican exponents at Washington, may be worth all it has cost. No matter what Democratic legislators may do in this or similar exigencies—it may as well be understood first as last that Republicans occupy a higher ground; more and better is expected of them, and they are held to stricter account by their constituents. To bring the latter out at the polls, they must know that their cause is being worthily upheld and advanced by their own chosen agents. Under the circumstances, therefore, this result in New Hampshire ought to be as beneficial as a victory. It reveals no gain of Democratic strength; it shows that the old Republican majority is there; and we ought to know better than ever how to rally it again at the ballot-box when we want it.—Journal

Henry A. Bellows, Chief Justice of N. Hampshire, was found dead in his bed, Tuesday at Concord, N. H., supposed to have died of heart disease. He came home from holding a term of the court at Dover on Saturday, in his usual health, but on Monday he complained of slight illness, and called in a physician. He passed a comfortable night, and at five o'clock Tuesday morning his daughter went to his room, and in reply to a question he said he felt pretty well. At half-past six she went again to his room, and found him dead. Judge Bellows was in the seventieth year of his age. He was universally respected for his purity of character, his learning, and his rare social qualities.

DEATH.—Fannie M. Cutting of Concord daughter of Stephen C. Cutting, our State Geologist, died at the residence of her brother-in-law W. D. Moulton, in Peacham, on the 8th inst. She was recently married to James B. Barron of West Concord, and while on her bridal visit to her brother and sister in Peacham was vaccinated, from the effects of which she was very sick and from the vaccine fever seemed to result a malignant Gastric fever from which she died. As she was an intelligent and accomplished young lady, she leaves a large circle of friends who mourn her loss.

The Reorganization of the Senate Committee is arranged. The Republican Senators held another caucus this afternoon and agreed to allow the Democrats and Liberals two members on each committee, and to give places to some of the new Republican members. The number of members of the committee on Privileges and Elections, on Appropriations and on Pensions was increased to nine. Mr. Stevenson of Kentucky keeps his place on the Committee on Appropriations, and Messrs. Sargent and Allison are put on it. Mr. Fenton is restored to his position on the Finance Committee, and Mr. Cassery to the Committee on Foreign Relations. Mr. Schurz remains on the latter committee. The Democratic Senators held a caucus this evening at the room of the private land claim committee, and decided their representation upon the committees. Aside from the changes referred to the Republicans remain pretty much as announced.

CONGRESSMEN CENSURED. In the popular branch of the Ohio legislature, on Monday, a vote of censure was passed on the members of Congress from that State who voted for the retroactive salary bill. A motion to censure the President for not vetoing the bill was defeated by 52 to 21.

THE NEW HAMPSHIRE ELECTION.

Returns from one hundred and eighty-two towns give Straw (Republican) 30,385; Weston (Democrat) 28,281; Blackmer (Temperance) 911; Mason (Liberal Republican) 605; This is a majority for Straw of about 600. If the remaining 53 towns come in as last year it will give Straw a majority of about 350.

The House is Republican by about 40 majority. The Senate will stand 8 Republicans to 4 Democrats; and the Council 3 Republicans to 2 Democrats.

The Democrats carry all three of the Congressional Districts, re-electing Messrs. Hibbard, Bell and Parker.

HORRIBLE CRIME.

We have received the details of one of the most shocking murders ever committed. It appears that one Louis Wagner, a fisherman, about midnight on Wednesday of last week entered the house of a Mr. Hontvet on Smutty Nose Island, near Portsmouth, and murdered two sisters, Mrs. Cornelia Christenson and Annette Lawson and attempted the life of Mrs. Hontvet, she however escaped from the house and concealed herself among the rocks of the island. The details are shocking in the extreme. The object of the villains seems to have been the possession of about \$600 that Mr. Hontvet had earned in his avocation as a fisherman. He did not succeed in finding the money. The murder was committed with an ax. The murderer fled to Boston where he was arrested on Friday, and taken to Portsmouth, where an inquest was held upon the bodies of his victims, and he confronted by Mrs. Hontvet and others. He denied all knowledge of the affair and professes to be able to prove himself innocent. Wagner was subsequently removed to Saco Maine, as it claimed that the murder was committed within the jurisdiction of York County. Great excitement prevailed at Portsmouth and it was with difficulty the crowd was restrained from lynching Wagner on the spot.

STATE ITEMS.

A petition numerously signed by the citizens of the State has been presented to the President, praying for a nol. pros. in the case of Gen. George J. Stannard, the defaulting United States collector, in the Vermont district. His deficit is estimated at \$40,000, and the trial was to come off at Burlington on the 25th inst.

Capt. Gilman Esty of Barton Landing, was stricken with a paralytic shock on Thursday last, but is still alive.

On a recent cold day a man with a girl about ten years old, called at the house of Mr. Frazier, in Ferrisburgh Center, to warm themselves, and as the child was poorly clad, the stranger asked that she might stay all night, saying that he was on his way home in Burlington with her, and would call and get her the next day. The request was granted, and the man has not called yet. The girl refuses to give any information concerning herself.

The maple sugar season has opened in Vermont, and a splendid run of sap is expected.

A London dispatch dated March 12th says: The prospectus of the company which has organized to lay a cable from Plymouth, England, to Rio Beach, New Hampshire, is published to-day. All the money necessary for carrying out the project has been secured, and contracts for the construction of the cable have been concluded. The company is forbidden by its articles of agreement from amalgamating with any like enterprise.

The report of the Overseers of the Poor of one of the towns in Rutland county, contains a charge of three dollars for "taking paupers to menagerie."

The house and barn of Oliver Sabin, at Craftsbury, Vt., were destroyed by fire on the 24th ult. Insured for \$600.

What are Vermont people coming to? An old lady of 80 summers in Barnet has been astonishing the people of that usually quiet town by dancing a good share of a night to such tunes as the "Devil's Dream," "Money Musk," etc. What other girl of 80 can beat it?

Jerry Casey, an employe on the Bennington and Glastenbury Railroad fell from a train at Woodford, Vt., on Thursday last, and was run over. His legs were terribly mangled, and he died while they were being amputated.

Knox Bullock, one of the prominent men of Guilford, Vt., and who had for several years past been Chairman of the Selectmen of that town, committed suicide Thursday by hanging himself. He leaves a wife and five children. Mental depression was the cause.

The Caledonian rejoices in the fact that one year more will wipe out the debt of the town of St. Johnsbury. Only \$2800 of the funded debt remains, and under the vote of the town as to the terms of payment, this remainder must be extinguished next year. This will make about \$50,000 as the war debt of the town.

A Vermont paper remarks: "A resident found something offensive in his last dozen of eggs and took the dealer to task. 'What is the matter with them?' asked that individual. 'They are not good,' was the reply. 'Well, that can't be wondered at,' was the apologetic rejoinder, 'the hens are so drove now they ain't expected to be particular as usual.'"

JOSIE FAY'S LETTER

TO HER
Uncle Carleton's Family.

NO. II.
Feb. 24, 1875.

Dear Uncle Carleton.

The envelope full of letters reached me promptly, and truly did I enjoy them. Am delighted that you all are enjoying the "Monthly Evenings," as you must, from Jennie's account. I really feel you scarcely need my poor contributions to add to their profit or pleasure. I have however prepared descriptions of how to solve the Enigmas, and the replies to those I have previously sent. The enclosed letter is for our little Bessie, who so deserves some return for her efforts in endeavoring to write "Cousin Josie".

The one I copied for her I think cannot but interest Bessie and her little friends, it is such a true "little girl's letter". Sincere sympathy will be felt for poor Dollie and the Canary. The solving of the Enigma and the game, Jennie and Johnnie must consider as the replies to their kind notes for the present.—Aunt "Cousin Josie".

I promised to send you a description of how to solve the enigmas. It is a very simple process, requiring only thought and attention. If you will learn to solve the few simple ones I at first send you, I have others that will tax your skill and patience all you need. To solve the one I sent last month, proceed thus.

It is composed of twenty-three letters. Arrange on a piece of paper figures thus

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23
H o s e a W . P a r k e r C l a r e m o n t , N . H .

Then, as there are nine words to be discovered place other figures thus

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23
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placing other figures against the same order of words to be found in the Enigma. A carpenter and mechanic's tool having by these letters, you ascertain by thinking to be s-a-w, place the s under the figure 3, a under 5, w under 6. Then the word, your number 1 writing the replies.

The farmers tool you are certain must be hoe. So you place the single letters under the figures designated, and the word in the order of figures 2.

As to the next word, Beef and Pork and Veal each have four letters wait before deciding the word until you have looked further, when some letter in another word will indicate which is the one. Here we can easily find it. In our second word the letter under the figure 2 is o then pork, not beef is the kind of meat. Having found that o is the letter for the figure 2 and p for the figure 7 we find r-o-p-e will supply the letters for the next answer. With care and thought I do not fear but you will be able to solve the whole enigmas now. Finding the answer to be Hosea W. Parker Claremont, N. H. The verse for the drop letter P verse is this:

Cover the embers
And put out the light;
Till comes with the morning,
And rest with the night.

The enclosed game of "Queries" for some past member of the "Household" I think will interest and call forth thought and skill.

A GAME OF QUERIES
"What has two wings, two legs, a backbone and a tail?"

This is easy enough for the young, and is quickly answered, "A bird."

Then another who is ready, asks, perhaps, "What has no arms, no legs, but a head, a tail, and a backbone?"

Answered, "A fish or a snake."

Another asks, "A backbone, a head, a tail, four legs, and a trunk?"

Answered, "An elephant."

"A backbone, a head, two legs, and many trunks?"

Answered, after much guessing, "A lady."

"What has a back, two arms, a tail (sometimes two), no legs, and no head?" "A coat."

"What lives and gets along with no head, no legs, no wings, no arms, and no backbone?" "A worm."

"What has two horns and nothing else?" "A dilemma."

"Two claws, eight legs, no head, but a tail?" "A lobster."

"Two wings, many legs, and a very great variable number of arms?" "An army."

"Four legs, one foot, a head, and no tail?" "A bed."

"Six legs, two wings, and no backbone?" "A fly."

Who will succeed in answering these which have no answers given?

What has two wings sometimes, and sometimes one, sometimes none, and no backbone?

No wings, and no head, but four legs?

What is that which runs along with its head at one end of it, and its mouth at the other?

What has three feet but no legs, no head, no claws, but many nails?

What has a head but no feet, though will go if driven?

DARLING BETTIE: I think I must write you this time; very much did I enjoy the "little letter" you wrote me last week, your first letter. Well I think you succeeded very nicely for a little girl of eight years, and I hope we shall become regular correspondents. I well remember the first letter I received when a little girl of seven. There is a dear little girl here whose name is Alice, who comes to see me every Saturday afternoon. She is about your age. One day she brought me to read a letter from her sister Abba and I thought it so interesting I must copy part of it for you.

"Chicago, Feb. 1875.
Dear Little Sister: I have just written a long letter 'to mamma, and I thought I must answer the splendid little letter I received from you and the nice long one from Austin."

Nellie came up to see me Friday afternoon and stayed all night. She is just as funny as ever. She has written you about her doll, Ella gave her at Christmas. Its name is 'Susie Squash Head Jameson'. The middle name is not very beautiful, but I am glad she put it in for any one would be puzzled to tell what the difficulty was with the doll without that name.

Its head has a perfect resemblance to a Summer Squash, in wax. It is too bad to make fun of the poor doll, for she suffers a great deal and looks badly about the elbows and knees, but Nellie has bandaged them up quite nicely."

I wonder if other little girl's dolls have the same trouble, Bessie? Alice thinks she knows one whose doll has, and I think I can recall others.

May continues: "We have one pet at this house. It is a 'household pet,' a little canary. It was a fine singer when we bought it, but took cold, and lost its voice and now only peeps. Austin lets it out into the room and it rests on the pictures and plants, but last of all on the bearnu over which hangs a glass then it will sit and talk to the other little bird in the glass by the hour. One night a sad accident happened to it. We forgot that he was out of the cage and after dark not being able to find a place to roost, he undertook to come down stairs and lost his balance and fell, by which accident he lost all his tail feathers. It did look so funny we could not help laughing although we felt very sorry for the poor bird. They are growing out again, and our little chicken is fast turning into a canary again. I suppose you had a delightful time Christmas. Did you not? We had a small Christmas tree. It was a complete surprise to Uncle. I received several presents: A set of furs, a writing desk, slippers, ribbons, handkerchiefs, &c. I have written quite a long letter and shall expect a long letter from you. Please give lots of love and kisses to Grandpa and Auntie and receive a good share yourself."

From your loving sister.

MAY.

ALL SORTS.

The Boston small pox is growing small and only numbered eight victims last week.

Thomas Hinchee, of Wisconsin, lately had his feet so frozen that amputation was necessary. He had previously lost both hands in the same way.

A banker and stock broker named Taylor, of Cleveland, Ohio, has failed, his liabilities amounting to \$175,000.

THE FALLS CITY TOBACCO BANK ROBBERY.—Louisville Ky., March 11. Other special deposits of the Falls City Tobacco Bank, robbed on Sunday night, were to day found to be missing. Among them were ten bonds of the Louisville, Cincinnati and Lexington Short Line Railroad of \$1000 each and seven bonds of the Jeffersonville, Madison and Indianapolis Railroad first mortgage, of \$1000 each; also seven second mortgage bonds of \$1000. All the missing bonds amount probably to the value of over \$100,000.

The Christian Era says that "the decay of Spain is a direct result of Romanism. It has ruled the court and the people. It drove the Dutch provinces to a war for freedom by infamous persecutions, and lost the most valuable provinces of the kingdom. It exterminated the Moors, who had turned desert places into fruitful gardens, and banished the Jews, who were leaders in commercial enterprise. It crushed free inquiry, repressed education, and subjected all social life to the despotic sway of the priesthood. A decaying race, an impoverished people, a divided and listless nation, are the fruits of a papal supremacy in Spain." Put in this form many will object; but if we say that the decay of Spain is a direct result of bigotry, and religious bigotry too, it will be hard to deny it. Perhaps the Spaniards would have been just as bigoted had they been Protestants. It makes little difference what the religion is if the majority determine to force their dogmas on the whole people.

A Missouri woman said she gave a railroad conductor a ten dollar bill; he said it was a two; she insisted; he persisted; she took out a revolver and snapped it, and he gave her the eight dollars balance, not wishing to have any dispute with a lady.

In New York on Monday, Henry Reddy, was roasted to death in a lime kiln. He was intoxicated and crawled into the kiln to sleep. The workmen started a fire in the kiln and Reddy, when discovered, was literally burned to a crisp.

Somebody proposes, sarcastically, to change the name of our capital to White Washington!

CONGRESS—ITS CLOSING BUSINESS.
Washington, March 4, 1875.
THE SENATE

Remained in session until 5 o'clock this morning, passing a great many private bills, notwithstanding vigorous opposition.

There was general good humor, and the night was free from those exhibitions of intemperance which used to be witnessed.

The last night session of the House was unattended by many of the unseasonably scenes for which the closing hours of Congress are sometimes noted. The members were apparently conscious of the earnest work before them and of the scanty remaining time.

The most anxious group upon the floor were the Mormon Representatives, who constantly scanned the House to discover whether the fateful two-thirds were present who should take up the Frelinghuysen bill, which is to deprive the Saints of their manifold wives.

Among the important bills passed after midnight the following are found. A bill to authorize the Secretary of the Treasury to continue the settlement of the accounts of Connecticut for the service of surgeons and chaplains during the war.

A bill extending the time for completing the St. Paul and Pacific Railroad, confirming a grant of 2000,000 of acres of land.

A joint resolution appointing a commission to arrange for the purchase of a site of a new Presidential mansion, of which commission Mr. Morrill of Vermont is one.

A bill providing for the erection of some suitable memorial to the soldiers who died at Salisbury prison.

The session of the early morning was the adoption of the conference report upon the salaries question, which was followed by subdued applause. The New Hampshire delegation voted always and consistently against this increase.

In the case of Judge Sherman a majority and minority report were presented by the Committee on the Judiciary—the majority report, by General Butler, recommending postponement until next session; the minority, by Clarkson Potter, advocating immediate impeachment.

There was much spirited debate over these reports, which resulted in the adoption of the majority report.

The House devoted itself to routine business, confining its action mainly to the passage of the Senate bills upon the Speaker's table, of which a large number were passed.

The attempt to pass the bill authorizing the Texas Pacific railway to make consolidations with lines in California failed of the necessary two-thirds.

The House passed a new rule providing that Standing Committees of the next Congress shall consist of eleven members, instead of nine, as at present.

The House ordered the testimony in the Union Pacific Railroad investigation to be printed and the committee discharged.

The House ordered the present corps of Globe reporters to be officers of the House and furnish reports to the Congressional Printer. This gives them \$4000 a year each additional salary.

The President on arriving at the Capitol went to the President's room, where he industriously signed bills, after his Cabinet had examined them.

At noon the members of the defunct House Representatives came in, and the Senate of the Forty-third Congress was called to order.

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The work of the House imperfect and incomplete, was at an end. Mr. Holman had made his last objection. Mr. Farnsworth had pronounced his last malediction on Gov. Boutwell and prepared to receive his additional salary, a benefaction which he scorned. Sunset Cox had cracked his last joke. Mr. Kerr had entered his last dignified protest. Mr. Bingham had made his last Congressional appeal for the preservation of the constitutional liberties of his countrymen, when, at 12 M., Speaker Blaine, after a sharp ringing rap of his gavel and a return of the members' thanks for courtesies, declared the House adjourned without day.

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